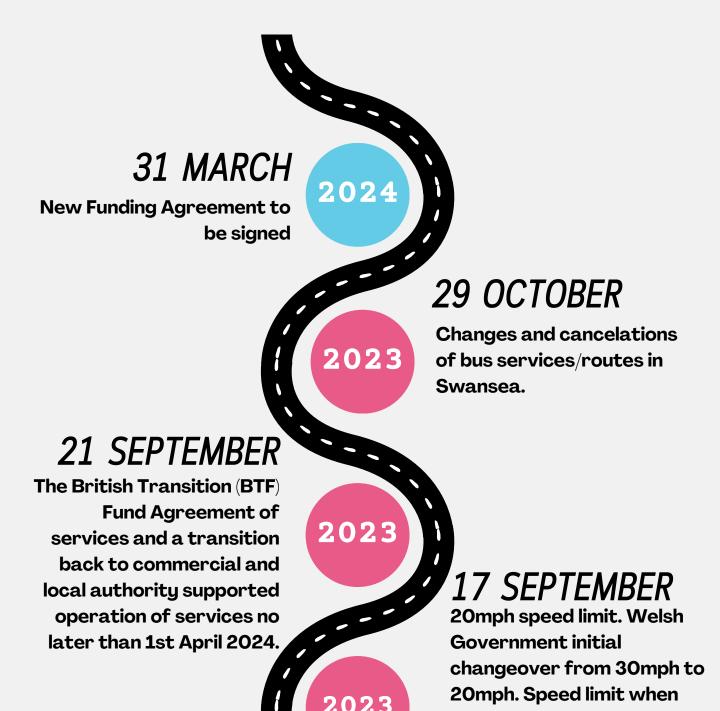
TIMELINE BUS SERVICES IN SWANSEA

Main events



4 AUGUST

Bus Services (Wales) Bill introduction in the Welsh Government Legislative Agenda 2024. Legislation will be introduced by that time next year

2023

2023

24 JULY

End of The Bus Emergency Scheme (BES) 2023

driving in an area where there are street lights is 20mph unless there is signage stating a different speed.

25 JULY

The Bus Transition Fund (BTF). The Council as regional lead authority enters into BTF agreements with relevant bus operators, to secure (conditional) financial support for the bus sector and to establish a relationship with their constituent local authorities that ensures that the ongoing funding meets those authorities' priorities and is delivered on their behalf.

13 APRIL

Climate Change and Nature Strategy 2022-2030. Swansea Council's commitment to addressing climate change

2023

'One Network, One Timetable, One Ticket: Planning Buses as a Public Service for Wales'. Welsh Government proposes to give "the franchising power" to Welsh Ministers. This would mean that the Welsh Government bears the revenue risks under a franchised system

White paper on bus reform:

20 DECEMBER

Swansea Council Charter on Climate Change is approved

2020

2022



AUGUST

Introduction of the Welsh Bus Emergency System (BES)

MARCH

Introduction of Bus Services (Wales) Bill It fell as a result of COVID19 pandemic.

2020



2013

Funding Reduction and Expenditure Cut. Reduction in funding was a significant factor in reshaping the provision of bus services, requiring the Council to adjust its budget and prioritize services based on the available financial resources. Welsh Government maintains funding for subsidised bus services, but the Council's budget adjustments led to a £70.000 reduction and the withdrawal of a bus route. Changes in the concessionary fares scheme, influenced by decreasing funding, impacts reimbursement to bus operators, heightens concerns about commercial service viability and ongoing challenges in the funding landscape for bus services.

Labour and Legislation on Management and Operation of Bus Services. Under this legislation, local authorities gained the ability to establish QPS, providing facilities along bus routes. Operators, agreeing to meet specified standards, could utilize these facilities.

1 JANUARY

The National Bus Company (NBC))t)akes over the assets and shareholdings in England and Wales previously held by the Transport Holding Company. All shares in the NBC are owned by the Government, with the directors appointed by the Minister. the Swansea City Council. Initiation of Voluntary Partnership with First Cymru buses, marking a collaborative effort beyond statutory obligations. This partnership, associated with the ftrMetro service, builds upon a long-standing relationship since 2003.

OCTOBER

Deregulation.. implementation of the Transport Act 1985 for local bus services in Great Britain. Bus services in the UK undergo deregulation and progressive privatization, transforming the industry.

2000

2009

1986

1969